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Ex Parte

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Amendment of the Commission's Rules with Regard to Commercial
Operations in the 3550-3650 MHz Band, GN Docket No. 12-354**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 8, 2017, I met with Erin McGrath, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Michael O'Rielly, to discuss the above-referenced proceeding. During the meeting, I expressed the support of NCTA – The Internet & Television Association (NCTA) for the three-tier framework adopted by the Commission, and noted the participation of the cable industry in the standards development work for the band that is already well underway.

I also noted NCTA's support for modest rule changes that would make the 3.5 GHz band even more attractive to a broad range of potential investors. Any such rule changes should continue to support the goal of making the 3.5 GHz band "hospitable to a wide variety of users, deployment models, and business cases."¹ We also discussed the importance of general authorized access to the band in order to enable efficient spectrum use and to facilitate flexible network deployments depending upon spectrum availability and operating conditions.

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¹ *Amendment of the Commission's Rules with Regard to Commercial Operations in the 3550-3650 MHz Band*, Report and Order and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 30 FCC Rcd. 3959, 3962 ¶ 6 (2015).

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Pursuant to the Commission's rules, I have filed a copy of this notice electronically in the above-referenced proceeding. If you require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Danielle J. Piñeres

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cc: Erin McGrath